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THE FINGERS that are used to measure drinks with are the ones through which the golden opportunities slip.

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THE gobbler 's sitting in a heap upon the scrawny limb,
Of all his rosy-posy pleasant fancies rudely shorn.
Along the leaf-embroidered breeze he cannot skip and skim
And flap his wings and drum-sticks in the twilight or the morn,
Because he knows that soon we will be stuffed as full of him
As now he's stuffed unto the brim with buckwheat and with corn.

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ROOSEVELT, like Lincoln, is a breaker of gyves, and he is practically doing to-day for the competent knight of labor what Lincoln did for the negro slave two-score years ago. The president recognizes the fact that the laborer has been more or less a slave, down-trodden and abused through the imperial tyranny of bossism, a condition that is swiftly crumbling and fading away under his administration. The workingman of the north has in Mr. Roosevelt as firm and steadfast a friend as the negro of the south found in Mr. Lincoln, and it is to be trusted that he appreciates this golden fact to the full. He knows, or at least should know, that if his skill is of the first order the mills will be open for him night and day, and that his fetters, like those of the emancipated negro, will be things of the past. The survival of the fittest is the end to which the president's utterances and acts on the industrial question are the means. In his hands the workingman will be stimulated to grander and supremer efforts than ever before, and the capitalist or boss that would squeeze the last drop of blood out of him will, if he has his business optics open, realize that he is being swiftly and summarily reduced to pulp under a rough rider that cannot be unhorsed. With Mr. Roosevelt as the boss of the situation, the capitalist and laborer will alike discover him to be a chainless boss—in other words, a boss who is a boss only in the sense of an impartial arbitrator who believes in fair play and the kind of success that stands only and entirely on its merits.

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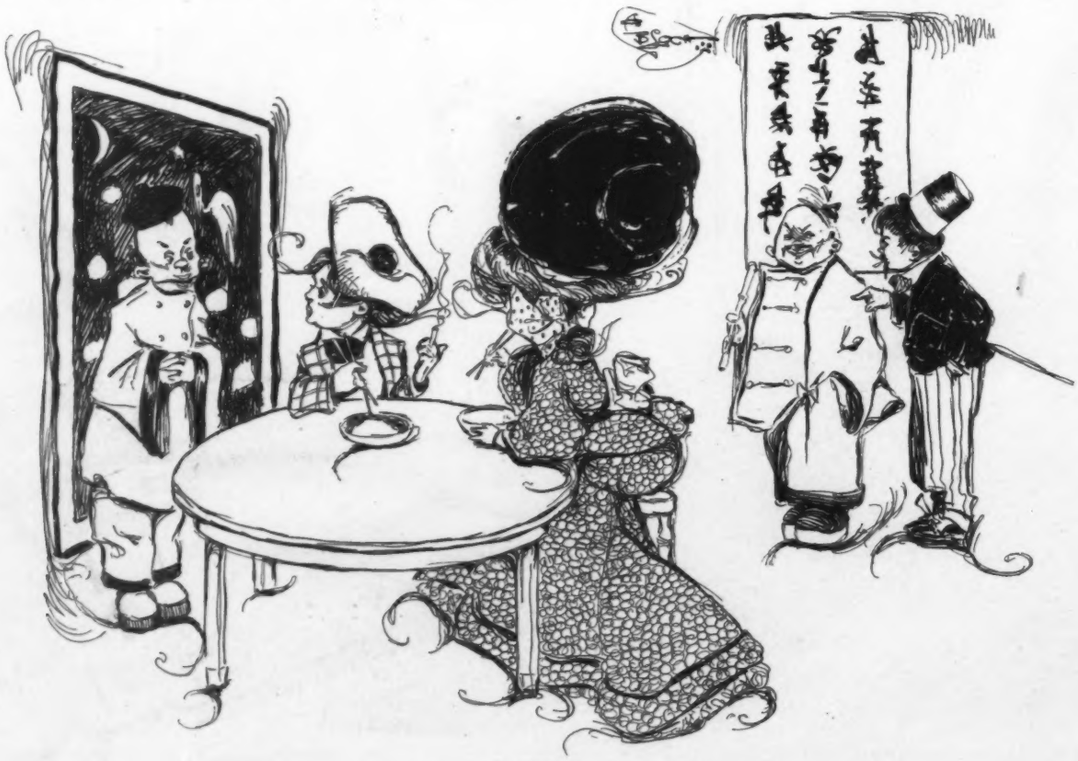
AS A FLOATER of schemes Pierpont Morgan seems to be losing his grip, and his appealing gaze at the investors that will not invest is a most pathetic one when it is considered that a brief handful of moons agone the speculator was quite as helpless in his gaze as is the song-bird in the optic of the rattlesnake. Mr. Morgan used to float better than he knew, and now he sinks better than he ever floated. The day of his greatness is gone, never to return. Every leaf of his laurel-crown has been bitten by the frost and turned to gold, a casual glimpse of which, as it waxes dimmer and dimmer, causes the prophetic soul of the old money magician to experience a thrill of keen, reminiscent pain. With his divining-rod he can still cause the water of inflation to spout forth, even as copiously as the oil gushes from the well—in the rose-tinted, gilt-edged prospectus of the fake corporation. But no man seems to hanker after this rainbow-water, for fear he may, through imbibing it, become financially typhoided. Mr. Morgan's ventures into the flowery field of steel have been fruitful of many valuable eye-openers, and it cannot be denied that the undoing of the erstwhile king of financiers is largely due to his confidence in the inability of the public to see through his kaleidoscopic methods. In the eyes of the financial world he is not so conspicuous a figure of all-round grandeur as he recently was. In fact, the intelligent financier, in looking him over casually and critically, is reminded of a certain man in the scriptures whose woebegone countenance but served to illustrate the fact that the cause of all his glumness was due to a bellyful of the east wind.



LUCKY.

THE VISITOR—"They say that the old Chinaman yonder is very rich."
THE CHINK—"Oh, yes; him very much luckee man. Him born with silver chop-stickee in mouth."

HER ERROR.

"IS THIS Mr. Cazoo?" asked the fair young thing with a timid smile.

"It is," politely said the young man with the long hair, making a courteous bow.

"Oh, Mr. Cazoo!" she exclaimed, "I have so often wished to meet you. I know you will think it dreadfully improper of me to speak to you thus, but"——

"Not at all—not at all," he smiled, shaking his hair soothingly. "Lots of girls do so, I assure you."

"Then I feel encouraged to speak to you about your wonderful work."

"Thank you. You are most kind."

"Oh, I do think your efforts are sublime!"

"You flatter me"—with a heavy blush.

"Indeed I do not. Your splendid lines in 'The Conflict' are simply grand. All our class"——

"My dear young lady, you overwhelm me. I must say I nev"——

"And oh! that beautiful soliloquy"——

"Yes? That was in the last game, where I stood on the side-lines and talked to myself after I"——

"Side-lines? Why, what kind of lines are they?"

"On the edge of the field, you know."

"Mercy! Aren't you Mr. Cazoo, the poet?"

"Great Scott, no! You mean that fool brother of mine, Algy. I'm Bill Cazoo, the centre-rush of the football te"——

But she was gone.

A PROFITABLE CONTRACT.

SHE—"Do you know that chap over there who is eating canvas-back duck and drinking champagne?"

HE—"Certainly. That's Smithkins. He has the contract for advertising four different kinds of health-foods."

GEAR AND GOLD.

"HERE'S a little catch for you," said the proprietor of the grog-shop at Manila. "There's a picture of the 'steenth regiment, and here's my bank-book. What's the difference?"

"Well," guessed the war-correspondent, "the boys hold up the flag, but they couldn't flag your hold-up."

"Not exactly. The picture is the boys in blue and the bank-book is what the boys blew in."

HE AGREED.

"THERE, Henry," said Mrs. Penhecker, showing him a nice, new motto she had had hung in the dining-room, "what do you think of that?"

Mr. Penhecker studied the motto for a moment, reading it under his breath. It announced, "There is no place like home."

"It is the truth," he said gravely. "And I am glad of it."

Luckily his wife misunderstood him, and she was so pleased with his remark that she let him off for the evening, and so he was able to find a whole lot of places that weren't in the least like home.

HIS FATAL ERROR.

"YOUR eyes are like mirrors," soft and low
He told the maid. Alas!
How could the luckless fellow know
One of her eyes was glass?

THE PROPER PLACE.

EDITOR—"Oh, yes; I'll publish your poem."
ETHEL—"How good of you! And in what part of your paper will you put it?"
EDITOR—"Oh, I'll put it in right next to reading-matter."

JUDGE'S FAVORITES.

PAULA EDWARDES.

All your warbling is the thing
That is worth the price,
And who once doth hear you sing
Wants to hear you twice.

That is why you, near or far,
In your triumph skim
To all hearts, oh, shining star!
That will ne'er grow dim.

AGAINST HER PRINCIPLES.

"MRS. ALIMONY contemplates another divorce."

"I'm not surprised. She won't let any husband become permanently identified with her."

WINTER'S SHOW IS ON.

THE snowflakes do a dizzy dance.
The ice is cracking jolly quips;
The frost, in moving pictures, through
A thousand varied figures slips.

The wind is chorusing a glee
That thrills the woods until the trees
Throw off reserve and madly do
A bare-limbed ballet in the breeze.

APPRECIATED THE HONOR.

"WE SHOULD like very much," wrote the chairman of the committee to the eminent historical novelist, "to have you speak at our annual banquet. There are to be six speakers, all of them famous literary people like yourself. I trust that you can see your way to being with us, and you will pardon me for informing you that there is to be an honorarium of one hundred dollars for each speaker."

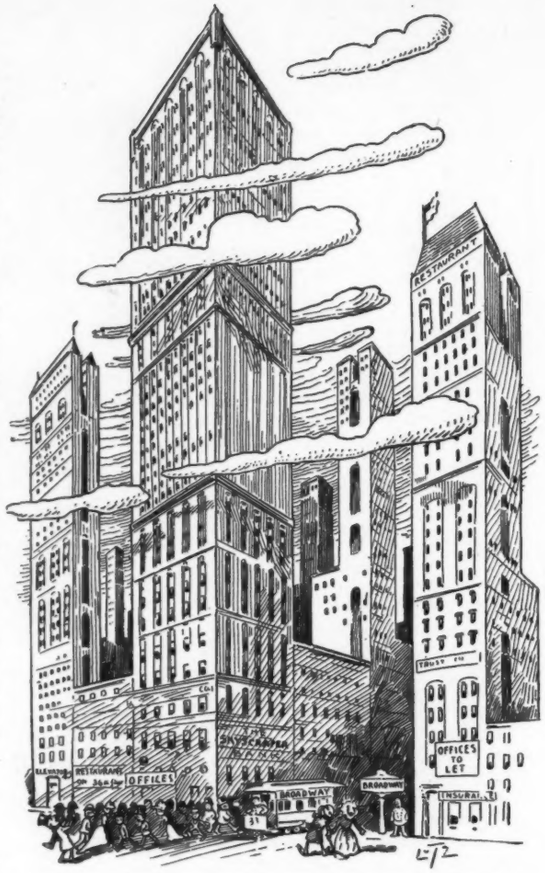
Realizing that to appear at this banquet would greatly add to his vogue, the eminent novelist replied,

"I shall be happy to speak at the banquet, as you request. With regard to the honorarium mentioned, will say that while I think it is a little high, still the resulting advertising will be worth the money to me, and I inclose my cheque for the hundred."

WOULD BE A HARDSHIP.

"THAT explorer says that away off in the south, where he comes from, they have thirty and thirty-one nights in the month," says the first Esquimau boy.

"Gee! that wouldn't suit father," asserts the second Esquimau boy. "Every time he went to the lodge he would lose about fifty days' work."



"THEY COME HIGH, BUT WE MUST HAVE THEM."

LOCAL REPARTEE.

"PARDON me, gentlemen," said the individual who had just moved into the little town as he entered the grocery, "but is there a chicken-raiser here?"

"Why don't you take an axe?" asked the village Talleyrand. "A razor will lose its edge if you use it on a chicken."

BEHIND THE SCENES.

The manager—"Who is that man over there in the wings?"
The leading-lady (complacently)—"Oh, that is my angel."

DEAD SLOW.

FIRST CHAUFFEUR—"He has papers in his pocket showing that he comes from Philadelphia."
SECOND CHAUFFEUR—"Good! He must have been dead before you hit him."

THE ABSENT TREATMENT.

CHOLLY—"It seems to me I have tried every way I know to gain her affections."
ETHEL—"They say that absence makes the heart grow fonder. Try that way for a change."

PAPA THE TRUE ARTIST.

OH, THEY say she is an artist with a genius very great.
She can make a chubby Cupid on a heart;
And she pictures every chappie, with his bobbing, empty pate,
In a way the master says is truly art.

She can draw a horse and wagon, or a monkey, or a man,
And at etching she can put on all the frills.
She can paint her cheeks—good gracious!—just as natural—yes, she can,
But her papa draws the cheques to pay the bills.

FREDERICK BOYD STEVENSON.

TO BE SURE.

"WHAT is the difference," asked the inveterate maker of conundrums, "between a woman and a phonograph factory?"

"Well," hazarded the obliging listener, "the output of a phonograph factory is meant to be listened to, but the output of a woman has to be listened to."

"No," was the gleeful reply of the conundrum fiend. "You can't shut up the woman, but you can shut down the factory."

THE BETTER SAM.

"Sam Patch made a mile in one-fifty-nine."
"Dead slow. Sam Parks could make a thousand dollars in less time than that."

REVENGE IS SWEET.

FIRST NATIVE (*in background*)—"Why does our grand, worthy king torture his victim so long before turning him into a sixty-cent table d'hote dinner?"

SECOND NATIVE—"Oh, that's a professional humorist who writes those jokes about his majesty's religious taste for missionaries."

WHAT TROUBLED SUSY.

"YASSUM," said Sistah Johnsing, straightening herself up from the wash-tub and allowing the suds to drip from her fingers while she talked; "yassum, mah daughtah Susy suttinly has bin pow'ful sick dis las' two yeahs."

"What seems to be the matter with her?" asked the white lady.

"Well, 'um, de doctah, he say hit's er mil' soht ob eucalyptus fits."

THE ADVERTISER'S VERSION.

'TIS said that little drops of ink
Do oft make countless thousands think;
But what of more importance is,
It makes them buy and leads to biz.

A NATURAL ALTERNATIVE.

"THAT'S a stunning crest on that envelope. Whose is it?"

"I'm not certain — either an English duke's or a New York millionaire's, I should say."

BUTT IN.

BUTT in, no matter where you are;
Don't wait to be invited.
Nobody 's waiting for the ship
That has not yet been sighted.

Butt in, no matter 'bout the time,
The place, or kind of weather;
And do not linger for the gang
That waits to get together.

Butt in, no matter who's around,
Or who is doing the talking.
Don't wait for anybody's rig,
Or you will do the walking.

Butt in, get busy, keep it up;
Don't wait, or you'll regret it.
The man who lingers for the plum
You bet will never get it.

Butt in, no matter what they say;
You needn't stop to worry.
If you don't butt, the other man
Will butt you in the hurry.

F. H. B.

MEN who are born great are not always great at the finish.

"THE TIE THAT BINDS."

FARMER—"Mother, I hain't got the heart ter do it. It 'd seem too much like killin' one o' the family."

1.

AGENT—"The finest hair-tonic in the world, my dear madam. Makes the hair grow instantly. Allow me——

2.

——to remove my hat and show you the marvelous effect it has had on my hair."

IT IS SO STATED.

HE SOUGHT to kiss
A girl from Wis.
She murmured, "Oh,
You must not—No!"

He sighed, "Marie,
Don't you love Me.?"
And then said, "Pshaw!
Don't call your Pa."

Coaxed thus, the Miss.
Gave him the kiss,
And yet again,
Till he took Tenn.

3.

But the absent-minded agent forgets to remove all the hat-pins, and her exit is more hurried than graceful.

STILL THE MODE.

"BUT, my dear," said the first woman in that affectionate tone which indicates that a perfect lady intends to say something to hurt the feelings, "isn't your winter-cloak moth-eaten?"

"Moth-eaten?" answered the other with that inflection which a woman adopts when she inserts a subtle squelch into her remarks; "moth-eaten? No, indeed! That is drop-stitch."

LITERARY INCLINATIONS.

"WHY do you think he'll be a famous novelist?"

"He poses for photographs so well, with his arms folded and looking as if he was thinking."

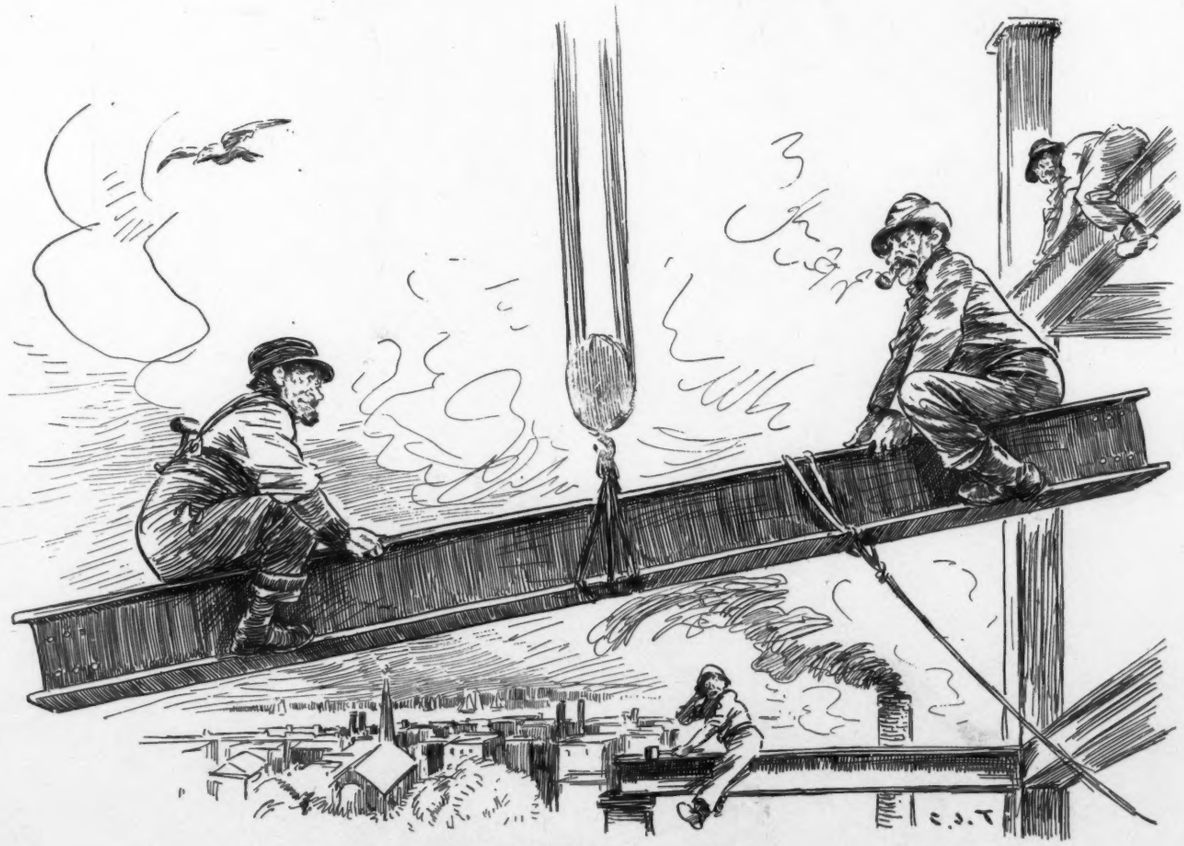
WHY THE DOG HOWLED.

THE brave Saint Bernard dog had found the traveler who was lost in the Alps. Lifting his head, the dog howled long and dismally. Nor did he stop with one howl, but continued to howl, each yelp being more agonized than its predecessor.

The monks came on a dead run through the snow.

"You seem to be all right," they said to the traveler. "We wonder why the dog howled in such a distressed tone."

"Well," explained the wanderer, "I didn't know whether or not he could make you hear his ordinary howls, so I just whistled 'Hiawatha' to keep him buckled down to business."



THE MAN WHO WOULD BE KING.

PAT—"Shure, Roodyar-rd Kipling, th' pote, gits a dollar a wurd."
MIKE—"Thot's nawthin'. Sam Parks uster git more'n thot fer callin' off a shtrike.

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LABOR'S EMANCIPATION

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ION, NORTH AND SOUTH.

1.

NERVY NAT—"That quarter I found was a windfall. I'll send this telegram to the Pazzaza hotel: 'Reserve large room for me to-night. Don't mind costume; going to masquerade ball. Signed, Russell Pierpont Astorbilt.'"

2.

CLERK (*of hotel Pazzaza*)—"Your old room is ready for you, sir. That make-up is a peacharina, Mr. Astorbilt. If you hadn't wired you were coming in fancy dress we should have thrown you out for a hobo, sure pop!"

NERVY NAT—"Yes; I flatter myself my own typewriter wouldn't know me. You might send me up a bottle of fizz and some supper. Hadn't time to eat this evening before."

3.

NERVY NAT—"Oh, I don't know! I was surely cut out for this. What?"

4.

NERVY NAT—"Now, with this modest collection of bric-a-brac I will be on my way—if this fire-escape busts not in twain."

5.

NERVY NAT—"Gee! the confounded rope is too short. There goes my collection of antiques, and here's where your Uncle Nat does a drop-act."

6.

NERVY NAT—"My word! that glass was brittle."

O'HOOLIHAN, THE COP—"None av yure hot air, yez hobo! Oi've caught yez wid th' goods on yez, so come along wid me to th' 'cooler.'."

THE ADVENTURES OF NERVY NAT.

A hope fulfilled of perfect bliss
Has furnished many a novel's text.
Such hope in this life 's vain ; it is
"To be continued in our next."
—*Philadelphia Public Ledger.*

The superiority of the Sohmer Pianos is recognized and acknowledged by the highest musical authorities, and the demand for them is steadily increasing in all parts of the country.

Mr. Klumsay (waltzing)—"My ! how slippery this floor is. It's hard to keep on your feet."

Miss Sharpe—"Oh ! you're really trying to keep on my feet, then, are you ? I thought it was merely accidental."—*Philadelphia Press.*

Tired brain and nervous tension relax under the potent action of the Original Abbott's Angostura Bitters. Label on bottle tells the Original—Abbott's.

Mr. Knicker—"I tell you, Maria, the city must be cleaned out."

Mrs. Knicker—"Suppose you tackle the furnace first."—*New York Sun.*

"Ah ?" sighed Miss Antique, with a languishing glance in the direction of Mr Oldboy, "if I had been born in the days of chivalry !"

"Well," he said, as he scratched the bald spot on the top of his head, "you came pretty near it."—*New Yorker.*

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SOHMER PIANOS

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Newton was propounding the law of gravitation.

"You see," he exclaimed, "it is always the greater body that attracts the lesser."

"And did the apple show you that ?" asked his enraptured audience.

"No," he replied confidentially. "It was the fact that you always have to go down stairs to see the janitor."

Thus, for once, is it shown that the meanest forms of existence can be of use to mankind.

Bear in mind that the Champagne you want is *Cook's Imperial Extra Dry.* Made in America, better than foreign makes.

"Mr. Carnegie has been given the freedom of Cork."

"What will he do with it ?"

"Have it framed, I suppose."

"What good will that do him ?"

"Why, he can hang it in his picture-gallery at Skibo castle, and when visitors drop in he can say, 'I've got a little work of art here I'd like to show you. It's a Corker.' "—*Cleveland Plain Dealer.*

AN OLD TIMER

HAS HAD EXPERIENCES.

A woman who has used Postum Food Coffee since it came upon the market eight years ago knows from experience the necessity of using Postum in place of coffee if one values health and a steady brain.

She says : "At the time Postum was first put on the market I was suffering from nervous dyspepsia and my physician had repeatedly told me not to use tea or coffee. Finally I decided to take his advice and try Postum and got a sample and had it carefully prepared, finding it delicious to the taste. So I continued its use and very soon its beneficial effects convinced me of its value, for I got well of my nervousness and dyspepsia.

"My husband had been drinking coffee all his life until it had affected his nerves terribly. I persuaded him to shift to Postum and it was easy to get him to make the change, for the Postum is so delicious. It certainly worked wonders for him.

"We soon learned that Postum does not exhilarate or depress and does not stimulate but steadily and honestly strengthens the nerves and the stomach. To make a long story short our entire family have now used Postum for eight years with completely satisfying results as shown in our fine condition of health and we have noticed a rather unexpected improvement in brain and nerve power." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

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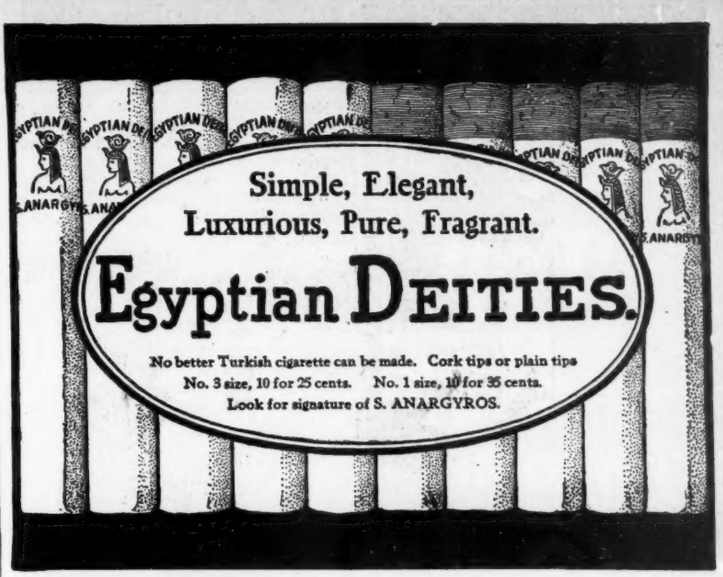

Franklin had just invented his stove.

"That's all right," exclaimed the people; "but why don't you invent some one to get up first to make the fire?"

Seeing how signally he had failed, Poor Richard turned his attention to electricity."—*New York Sun.*

"Some men," said Uncle Eben, "is allus active at de wrong tim. I know a young cullud gemmen dat'll go to sleep wif a razor in his han' while he's in de bahber-shop. But when he gits to a pahlor social he wants to keep dat blade goin' all de time."—*Washington Star.*

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To any one sending us the correct name of any **one** of these Presidents, with a **2-cent stamp** to cover cost of mailing, we will forward, post-paid, a most useful and ingenious pocket novelty, called the *Triplet*, a key-ring, letter-opener, paper-cutter and screw-driver combined, and an article that every man and boy will find many uses for every day.

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"Please send me another Triplet. The one I received is just the thing I needed. I ride a bicycle, and the Triplet is splendid for tightening screws and nuts. The reason I want another is my brother is in love with mine, and offered me a quarter if I would get him one."

"About two months ago you sent me a Triplet. I have used it constantly until a few days ago, when I lost it. I feel as if I had lost my best friend."

"Enclosed find 10 cents in stamps for 5 Triplets. It is the nicest and handiest pocket novelty I ever saw. I want to give some to my friends."

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CALIFORNIA—4 Days from New York or Boston—By New York Central.

IF IT'S
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IT'S RIGHT

Mr. Newcomb—"I was so glad to meet your mother. I didn't think she was so—er—exceedingly stout."

Miss Wantaman—"Oh, yes! but I'm sure I'll never grow to be like her. I take after papa, you know."—*Philadelphia Press.*

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Tess—"Miss Passay has such an unfortunate disposition; so disputatious and so sensitive about her age."

Jess—"Yes; she was in perfect agony the other day while Major Bragg was telling some reminiscences. She knew he was wrong, but it was something that happened thirty years ago."—*Philadelphia Press.*

He knows four languages to-day,
And knows just four too many:
For he has not a thing to say
In any.—*New York Sun.*

Knowing physicians prescribe Abbott's, the Original Angostura Bitters, to tone up the system—they know Abbott's will meet every requirement. All druggists.

"Both of my grandparents on my mother's side were nonagenarians," said Mrs. Oldcastle.

"Is that so?" replied her hostess. "My folks was all Baptists, but Josiah comes from a Methodist family."—*Chicago Record-Herald.*

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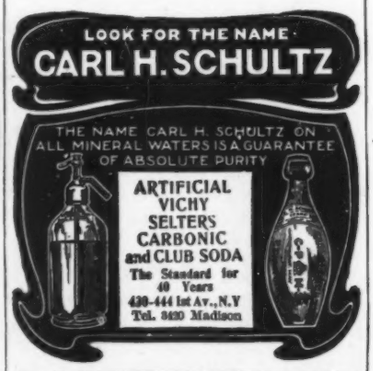
An agreeable tonic, recommended by physicians—Dr. Siegert's Angostura Bitters, the only genuine.

"Must you go so early?"

"Yes, I think I must. I know the other girls are just dying to discuss my engagement, and I don't want to spoil their pleasure."—*New York Journal.*

We have received from the Bobbs-Merrill Company, Indianapolis, Indiana, "The Fortunes of Fifi," by Mollie Elliott Sewell, illustrated by T. de Thulstrup; "To-Morrow's Tangle," by Geraldine Bonner, illustrations by Arthur I. Kellar; "She That Hesitates," by Harris Dickson, illustrated by C. M. Relyea; "The Magical Monarch of Mo," by L. Frank Baum, illustrated by Frank Verbeck; "The New Wizard of Oz," by L. Frank Baum, illustrated by W. W. Denslow; "The Enchanted Island of Yew," by L. Frank Baum, illustrated by Fanny Y. Cary; "Troubadour Tales," by Evaleen Stein, illustrated by Virginia Keep; "Maxfield Parrish," B. Rosenmeyer and Edward Edwards; and "Songs of the Trees, Pictures, Rhymes, and Tree Biographies," by Mary Y. Robinson, music by Josephine Robinson.



Miss Angles—"This new gown of mine doesn't give me the graceful figure the tailor claimed it would. I'll have to have it altered."

Miss Plumpleigh—"Why don't you take it to Paddem and Company?"

Miss Angles—"Are they your tailors?"

Miss Plumpleigh—"Oh, no; they're upholsterers."—*Philadelphia Press.*

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